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F. H. MAY,
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BIRTH.

On the 27th August, at Tsh Yang Hien, Sichuan, to Mr. and Mrs. A. H. G. Hill, of C.M.S. West China Mission, a daughter.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG OFFICE: 14, DESVOUX ROAD, S.C.
LONDON OFFICE: 131, FLEET STREET, E.C.

HONGKONG, 26TH SEPTEMBER, 1903.

Our contributor "X," in his article on "The Wave of Crime in Hongkong" yesterday dealt with one aspect—and a very important aspect—of the question of safety for person and property in this Colony; and we trust that what he says with regard to the local police force will receive the attention which is due to it. Particularly would we point to the last paragraph but one in "X.'s" article, which ran as follows:—"The unravelling of the Colony's crimes is in the hands of the few comprising the Detective Department. The heads of this Department depend mainly on their Chinese assistants for information, not always reliable. There are only two European officers of this Department who can be said to possess a working knowledge of the Chinese language and habits. The remaining officers are dependent upon their Chinese assistants." The state of affairs described is the reverse of satisfactory, and it is difficult to see how the authorities propose to make much headway against the forces of crime with only such detective agency as they possess at present. However, it is plain that in the present situation it is not a case of coping with normal lawlessness in Hongkong by means of the usual weapons at the command of the law. There is at present one of those epidemics of robbery and law-breaking generally, which periodically trouble this Colony. Why we should get these epidemics is not altogether to be explained. Of course crime does tend, like any other disease, to increase and decrease periodically, and the example of successful robberies, etc., inspires wavering wrong

doers with confidence to imitate. But it is clear that to meet unusual troubles with remedies which hardly do more in ordinary times than just keep the floating criminal population in check is not a scientific course of procedure. There has been for the last few months a larger number than usual of bad characters arriving in Hongkong from the mainland, to stop here as long as the place is not too hot to hold them. Some have the intelligence to pass themselves off as "boys," others are coolies or merely loafers. All are ready to come out in their true light of thieves when a favourable opportunity offers. At their hands the European population and the respectable Chinese community alike have been suffering very heavily of late. Snatching in the streets, burglary with personal violence, both by day and by night, ordinary purloining of jewelry and valuables, such offences have become so common that it is almost impossible for the newspapers to record all cases of the kind. Truly it is a "wave of crime" under which we are labouring at present. Is it, then, impossible to do anything but wait until this wave has rolled back once more, in accordance with past experiences, and to hope that it will not trouble us again very soon? This is not to be believed. There must be something wrong with the present system of treatment of the criminal, apart from the failure of the police to catch him. Those who have experience of other ports in China, etc., do not hesitate to say that why Hongkong suffers so heavily is because we treat the convicted evil-doer too lightly—that is to say, when he is not proved guilty of the more heinous offences. When a man is merely an habitual bad character, a constant criminal of the minor type, we deal with him in a most considerate but entirely inadequate manner. And the opinion of such people is biased up by that of the better-class Chinese, who, it is certain, do not at all appreciate the licence allowed to their unworthy fellow-countrymen any more than the respectable European residents admire the kindness shown to beachcombers who have been dumped in Hongkong from other ports.

The weakness of present methods is not a matter upon which argument need be expended. The consensus of opinion is very strong in the resident community, and it is only to be wondered at that it has not found more wide and public expression. But the manner in which improvement should be sought is open to discussion, and we must reserve its consideration for another occasion. In the meantime perhaps some of our readers may be inclined to give the benefit of their ideas on the subject.

At the Colonial Conference in London last year, it was agreed, by the conferring Premiers, in deference to the wishes of Canada, not to publish a full report of the whole of the discussions. The exact reasons for Canada's attitude were never stated, but it has been felt that naturally some of the debates at the Conference must have touched on matters on which it would be impolite at present to hear the unreserved opinions of various colonial representatives openly discussed in public. However, in July last, Sir MICHAEL HICKS-BEACH asked in the House of Commons that this decision might be reconsidered, and full publication of the report allowed. Consequently Mr. CHAMBERLAIN telegraphed to the Governors-General of Canada and Australia and the Governors of the Cape, Natal, New Zealand, and Newfoundland, asking the views of their Ministers. This telegram, and the answering telegrams from the Colonies, were published last month as a Parliamentary paper, a copy of which has now reached us. The replies were briefly these. Canada reported that the Ministers objected to any alterations of the already published report; Newfoundland, that the Ministers were of opinion that the original decision should be adhered to; the Cape, that the Prime Minister considered it inadvisable to allow publication. On the other hand, the Australian Prime Minister was strongly in favour of all publication; in Natal there was no objection to publication; and in New Zealand the Ministers favoured publication of discussions respecting "preferential trade, coastwise laws, and matters cognate to trade." In view of the strong opposition of three out of the six Colonies, it is to be presumed that the decision of the Conference will not be upset and that Sir MICHAEL HICKS-BEACH's desire must remain ungratified.

A sporadic plague case was reported yesterday, a Chinese being found dead in a boat at Lai-chikok.

The annual meeting of the Hongkong Hockey Club will be held at the Hongkong Club on Tuesday next, the 29th inst., at 5 p.m.

The twenty-second annual general meeting of the Hongkong S. Andrew's Society will be held in the City Hall at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday next.

The French mail of the 25th inst. was delivered in London on the 26th inst.

To-day the Hongkong Yacht Association competition will be for spuds, commencing at 3 p.m.; ranges, 200, 500 and 600 yards.

The trooper who is bringing out a draft for the Dorsetshires and various garrison reliefs is due to arrive about the 26th of next month.

The Union Church Sunday School will re-open on Sunday, 27th inst. with a Service in Union Church, commencing at 4 p.m. Scholars, parents, and friends are invited.

The N.C. Daily News of last Monday says that Wu Ting-fang is leaving Shanghai in a few days for Peking, where he will be much engaged in the organisation of the new Board of Commerce.

Mr. Frank White, Hon. Secretary of the V.R.C., desires us to ask all the prize-winners at the recent Aquatic Sports to attend at Mr. Clark's photographic studio in Ice House Street at 10.30 a.m. to-morrow, and to bring their prizes with them.

A letter received in Shanghai lately from Peking says that Yang Chu, now Chinese Minister to Tokyo, at his farewell audience of the Empress Dowager the other day, prior to leaving for Shanghai, received implicit instructions to set spies at work as soon as he arrived at Tokyo, and watch the conduct of all the Chinese students in Japan.

For theft of miscellaneous property from a house where he was employed as coolie, a Chinese at the Police Court yesterday received twelve months' hard labour and was ordered to be exhibited in the stocks for three hours. He was placed near the Clock Tower. The example made will perhaps have good effect on others of the same fraternity.

According to Japanese papers of recent date, the presentation to China by Mr. Lessar of the new demands, ignoring the negotiation that is going on at St. Petersburg, is the work of the new Viceroy of the Far East, Admiral Alexeiff. They also say that Count Okuma regards the new demands as a challenge to Japan to fight.

We are requested to state that owing to the indisposition of C. uss-heiro Senior A. G. Romano, Consul-General for Portugal in this Colony, the usual "At Home" held at his residence, "Duart," Arbutneth Road, in celebration of the anniversary of Their Majesties the King and Queen of Portugal, will not take place on Monday, the 28th instant.

In spite of all efforts of Governor Chou-tung Shantung to prevent it, the Hoangho has broken its banks near Ninghai, in Loshing prefecture. The break is about 300 Chinese feet long. No human lives were lost, thanks to the precautions taken by the Governor. The Chinese Government recently refused funds to repair the banks, asked for by the Governor.

In connection with the removal of the prohibition to import arms into China last month, the French Minister at Peking placed on record the fact that his Government will not be responsible for the consequences arising from the removal of the prohibition. This curious pronouncement is believed to have reference to the alleged admission of arms for the Kwangsi rebels, says Dr. Morrison.

By kind permission of Major Radcliffe and officers, the band of the 3rd Burma Infantry will play at the Hongkong Hotel from 8 to 9.30 p.m. to-night. The programme is as follows:—March, "Carillon et Tambour" Rosenstein Overture; "Concert Strangers"; Marchion Selection; "The Silver Spear" Leslie Sturt Song; "Return and So" ... Allen Selection; "The Thirty Thieves" ... Ed. Jones Waltz; "Three Alone" ... Meeser Pavane; "Conti" ... Vassour "God Save the King."

We hear that after the publication in the papers of particulars of a recent robbery from a house on the higher levels, a Chinaman appeared at the residence representing that he was a member of the police detective force, and on this pretence was admitted. He carefully looked over the house and quietly departed. It was subsequently ascertained that he had not been sent to the house by the police authorities. The mention of this little incident will doubtless serve to put others on their guard.

A large work, in twelve volumes, on Japan and China is announced to begin in the autumn. It will be an account and study of the history, arts, sciences, manners, customs, laws, religions, and literatures of the two countries. The author is Captain Brinkley, Editor of the *Japan Mail*, and Times correspondent at Tokyo, who has resided in Japan over thirty years, and who has an intimate knowledge of both the Japanese and Chinese languages. Coloured pictures will be a feature of the work, two volumes of which were in the press last month. The others are to follow at intervals.

A Berlin telegram, dated the 25th ult., says:—"The German missionary Homeyer, who was recently attacked by pirates in the neighbourhood of Nam-hung, has had two similar experiences." In 1897 he was set upon by robbers during a missionary journey in the Petau mountains, but escaped with the loss of his effects. He was again attacked and very severely beaten on his way to Yinfu in 1898. On the second occasion the German Government took up his case very warmly, and obtained a considerable sum of money from the Chinese authorities by way of compensation, and also a promise that three tracts of land should be acquired on which the missionaries might at any time find sanctuary." Evidently Mr. Homeyer is rather a valuable asset to his country in China.

The establishment of a Japanese late account St. Petersburg last month was the outcome of the visit paid in 1902 by Mr. Shimamura, Sei rotary to the Japanese Ministry of Agriculture and Industry, and contributed much to the initiation of more regular commercial relations between Russia and Japan. The Russian commercial world hopes that with the opening of direct communication between the two countries by the Eastern Chinese Railway there will be a great extension of their exchange of merchandise, and that while the Japanese markets will be opened to Russian sugar, petroleum, and corn, Japan will send to Russia raw silk, the products of small popular industries, and so forth, and that the creation of the Japanese consulate in St. Petersburg will favour the development of this exchange.

Admiral Evans, U.S. Navy, with a squadron consisting of the battleships Kentucky and Oregon, and the cruisers New Orleans and Albany, was expected at Tsingtao on the 21st inst.

Admiral Sir Cyprian Bridge reaches the age for retirement next March, having joined the Service in January, 1858. He was promoted to rear-admiral in February, 1892, and vice-admiral in November, 1898.

A number of Tartars, the P. & T. Times says, have been seen in the streets of Vladivostock lately, who trade in manufactured articles. They purchase these goods direct from the manufacturers, and the prices are a little lower than in the shops.

The Quoiting Club, the initiation of which we noted the other day, has now got a membership of twenty. So far the devotees of the ancient game have had to rub along with only a few pairs of quoits, but others have been ordered at the well-known makers, Messrs. Caldwell, of Kilmarnock.

A syndicate has recently been formed at Berlin for placing Siberian meat on the Berlin market. The meat, packed in ten-ton wagons, will be brought direct from Western Siberia to Berlin. The promoters expect to sell this meat 10 per cent. lower than German produce, notwithstanding the heavy import duty.

The National Zeitung understands that Prince Henry of Prussia will be relieved of the post of Commander of the 1st Squadron of the German Navy in the coming autumn. It is not known whether his Royal Highness will accept another appointment. It has been rumoured, it may be remembered, that he may come out to the Far East.

A telegram dated Simla, September 10, says:—"A slight reduction is reported in the plague mortality in the Bombay and Madras provinces, but the change is not sufficient to indicate any general improvement. The figures for last week are: Bombay Presidency 4,753 deaths, Madras 117, Central India 1,330, Berar 350, Hyderabad State 473, Mysore 44, the Central Provinces 107, Bombay City 88, Bengal 36, the United Provinces nine, and Rajputana six."

We have received from Mr. J. Ferguson, Editor of the *Ceylon Observer*, *Tropical Agriculturist*, etc., a copy of the *Ceylon Handbook and Directory* for 1903-04. Besides being valuable as a directory for Ceylon, the book contains much useful information concerning the Colony, and to it there is appended a review of the planting enterprise and agriculture of Ceylon with statistical information referring to the planting enterprise in other countries. Every page bears evidence to the care and painstaking that have been exercised in the compilation of the volume, which does credit to the Editor.

A discovery which may be of immense commercial and strategical importance has been made in the delta of the Amur River by Colonel Sibasko, Chief of the Geographical Expedition of the Pacific Ocean, and the Russian engineer, M. Chubinski. In the northern part of the Amur delta the expedition has come across a deep navigable channel, which allows vessels drawing 18 ft. of water to enter the Amur River, while a little dredging of the bed of the channel would allow vessels drawing 18 ft. of water to enter. The transport *Kamtschatka* was the first vessel to pass through the new channel and thereby to reach Khabarovsk.

Two men at least are awaiting his return with unmixed feelings of dread. One of these is Li Ka Cheuk, of whom a great deal has been heard in Hongkong. Less known is the fate of the ex-Namhoi magistrates. Some time ago I referred to his appointment to a taishi-ship in Kiangsu after his degradation here as a particularly flagrant case of failure of justice. This promotion bore the aspect of a successful move on the part of the Viceroy's enemies, the first, as many thought, *la guerre* which would culminate in his removal. But Shun is to be treated so lightly. He has given the strictest orders that the ex-Namhoi should be kept under guard, and on his return the unpopular official will be very severely punished. It is not unlikely that he will be beheaded; much correspondence has passed between the Viceroy and Peking over this affair. It is whispered that Prince Ching has exposed the case of the Namhoi, but the general belief is that Shun, with the influence of the Empress Dowager behind him, will win the day. Marshal Siu's escape from death should, however, be borne in mind. *Auri sacra fames.*

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TELEGRAMS.

REUTER'S SERVICE.

THE BALKANS.

LONDON, 23rd September.

It is stated in Sofia that the Porte having expressed readiness to consider proposals for a direct understanding, Bulgaria has now proposed conditions, the most important of which is the appointment of a mixed Commission, with a Bulgarian majority, to supervise the reforms. The conditions have been accepted in principle, though nothing has been definitely decided upon. An interview between the Bulgarian premier and the Ottoman Commissioner, regarding 10,000 destitute refugees from Burgas, has resulted in a practical understanding that Turkey will reinstate them in their homes and guarantee their protection. This has increased the hope of a general agreement.

LATER.

Yesterday's Constantinople telegrams differ entirely from those received from Sofia, and state that the tension is greater than ever. Protracted council meetings have ended in ordering 32 battalions from Monastir to Adrianople.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY

LONDON, 23rd September.

The Emperor has re-constructed Count Kedorly to form a Hungarian Cabinet, informing him that he will not assent to any changes in the Army which will weaken the monarchy, but will accept certain reforms which he considers admissible.

CANTON.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

CANTON, 25th September.

Six large launches have been sent up to Wuchow to bring the Viceroy and his suite back to Canton, where he should be in a week at most, unless, indeed, the rumour be true that owing to the death of Fung and the lack of experience of Cheung, he will be compelled to stay longer in Kwangsi.

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CRICKET.

On the Cricket Ground to-day, at 11.30 a.m., the following sides will meet:—

R. Hancock (capt.), J. T. Dixon, H. Hancock, W. C. D. Turner, T. E. Pearce, A. G. Ward, H. Arthur, R. E. Bird, C. E. S. Cooper, Lt. Lumden, R.A., Lt. Smith, R.A., and Lt. Dobby, R.A.

T. Sercombe Smith (capt.), Major Chichester, Lt. Gardiner, Lt. Rimington, A. R. Lowe, P. T. Lamb, A. Mackenzie, Capt. Riach, R.A., Capt. Davies, A.O.D., Lt. Toulmin, R.M., Lt. Blair, R.N., J. Fawcett, R.N., and J. E. Lee.

MASONIC AFFAIRS.

A very interesting meeting of the S. Andrew's Chapter, No. 218 S.C., was held at the Masonic Hall on the 23rd inst. when M. E. Comp., T. H. Jewett, was elected and installed 1st Principal for the ensuing year; M. E. Comp., W. Clare 2nd, and Comp. P. D. Hyatt, 3rd Principal. The installation ceremony was performed by M. E. Comp. J. A. Lockhead, assisted by M. E. Comp., H. B. Bridger and J. A. Tarrant. M. E. Comp. Jewett then invested his officers for the ensuing year as follows:—Scribe E., M. E. C. Jas. Lockhead P. Z.; Scrip. E., Comp. E. A. Earby; Treasurer M. E. Comp. J. Wilshire; Steward, Comp. P. S.; Comp. J. R. Lee; 1st A.S. Comp., C. H. Ross 2nd A.S. Comp., J. Wilshire; Steward, Comp. B. J. Spitalis; Janitor, Comp. J. Venetore.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

HONGKONG FOOTBALL CLUB.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the above Club was held yesterday evening in the Cricket Pavilion. Hon. Dr. J. M. Atkinson, President, was in the chair. There was a good attendance.

The CHAIRMAN in proposing the adoption of the report (which has already been published) said he always looked upon the F.C. meeting as the harbinger of our cool season, and sure enough that very morning he had been glad to feel a nip of the north-east wind that came to rouse us out of the state of lassitude induced by the long summer season, and take to more active habits. Speaking of the report, he thought they might congratulate themselves as a Club on their financial condition. Mr. Sandford had proved a very able and energetic treasurer, judging by the balance-sheets. Last year, in connection with the Shield competition, a sum of \$10 was carried forward. This year the balance carried forward was \$85. (Applause.) With reference to the Club itself the balance carried forward last year was \$219; this year it was \$335. These figures spoke for themselves. (Applause.) The record of the Rugby matches was excellent. Only two matches were lost out of 14. They were very unfortunate in the Association Shield competitions to have to meet the winners in the first round. He hoped they would be able to secure the Shield this year. (Applause.) So many matches were now played in both sections of the game that before long the question of securing a second ground would have to be considered, so that both Rugby and "Soccer" could be played on the same afternoon. (Applause.) Before proceeding to the other business he would like to refer to the retirement of Mr. Browne from the post of Secretary. Mr. Brown said he felt it in remand on him to retire. Mr. Browne had acted as Secretary for nine years, and they could not find a better Secretary. (Applause.) It would be advisable, the Chairman suggested, to retain Mr. Browne in the Committee, if possible. (Applause.)

Mr. P. W. GOLDING seconded the motion for the adoption of the report, and it was agreed to.

Mr. J. W. C. BONNAR moved the re-election of the Hon. President, Dr. Atkinson.

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SPORTING NOTES.

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Of the two teams which take part in to-day's encounter, Hancock's XI. is that of the "Probables." It is composed of:—E. Hancock (capt.), H. Arthur, C. R. S. Cooper, Lieut. Doherty, R.A., J. T. Dixon, H. Hancock, Lieut. Lumdon, R.A., T. E. Pearce, Lieut. Smith, R.A., W. C. D. Turner, and A. G. Ward. All these are familiar names save that of Lieut. Lumdon, who is a new arrival in the Garrison. He appears to be a cricketer above the average of Hongkong, and may turn out a very welcome addition. Sercombe Smith's side contains some players who would certainly figure in the Hongkong XI. were they able to get away, as may be seen from the following list of names:—T. Sercombe Smith (capt.), Lieut. Blair, R.N., Major Chichester, Capt. Davies, A.O.D., J. Fawcett, R.N., Lieut. R. B. Gardo, R.N., P. T. Lamble, J. E. Los, A. Macken, Lieut. Rimington, S.F., Capt. Riach, R.A., and Lieut. Tourell, R.M. The "Probables" will be highly tried, and it is to be hoped that some batsmen will have recovered from the funk which they seemed to be suffering from last Saturday, especially against Sercombe Smith's bowling. It is expected that the names of the selected eleven (or rather we hope twelve) to go up to Shanghai will be known after this match.

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THE POLLARD COMPANY AT THE THEATRE ROYAL.

WHAT HAPPENED TO JONES.

Since Mr. Peasey took the world by storm with "Charley's Aunt" there is no piece of comedy that has captured the public fancy more than *What Happened to Jones*. Columns upon columns have been written to show just how it attained its success, and all the dissecting processes to which it has been subjected have only gone to show that the piece is one of those fortunate hits that the comedy-monger occasionally manages to make, skiving out his native wit with a thorough knowledge of stagecraft, and bending these together in the proper proportions. Everyone who has seen the comedy has laughed over the adventures of the redoubtable Jones. The Pollard Company produced it for the first time in Hongkong last night, and there was more laughing. The house was fairly captivated by the fun of the thing, and was not slow in expressing its sense of approbation. Jones is a character that suits Mr. Nible's style as a comedian to perfection, and he made the best of it as he does of everything he puts his hand to. While he was on the stage he held the audience convulsed, and while he was off it they watched eagerly for his re-appearance. Miss Adams Lawrence acted with her accustomed charm in the rôle of Mrs. Godly. Mr. Alfred Tulloch's Professor Godly was a fine character, as was Mr. R. W. Ellison's Thomas Holder. Mr. Wentworth Watson gave another instance of the scope of his talents in his presentation of Richard Heatherly, and Mr. Harold Carr gave a clever impersonation of the Rev. Godly. In the part of Alvina Miss Blanche Clements shone to great advantage. Miss Grace Gile made a bewitching Cissy, while Miss Tempest and Miss Ascoli filled their respective roles of Marjorie and Helma with acceptance. The other characters in the cast were taken by Mr. Merry Lynch (William Bigbee) and Mr. Percy Haydn (Fuller) with credit to both.

Mr. Charles Hannan's *Setting of the Sun* was given as a curtain-raiser. It is dramatic tone made it an effective foil to the extravagance of *What Happened to Jones*, and Mr. Nible as the Rev. Mr. McCorfield showed that he is almost equally at home in the sphere of the "legitimate" as in that of comedy. Miss Lawrence made a fine appearance in the part of Janet. Mr. Wentworth Watson as Harry and Miss Ascoli as Lucy were also well suited in their parts.

In the course of the evening Miss Marjorie Tempest sang "The Flower Song" from *Faust*; she was in excellent voice and rendered the selection splendidly. Miss Millie Ascoli and Mr. Edward Nible gave a grotesque dance that "brought down the house"; and Mr. Alfred Tulloch contributed a descriptive musical sketch, "Pictures from Soldier Life," which earned him hearty applause.

To-night *What Happened to Jones* will be repeated. On Monday and Tuesday next *Are You a Mason?* will be staged.

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Messrs. Vernon & Smyth say in their weekly share report, dated Hongkong, 24th September:—The market still rules inactive with but slight fluctuations and no business of any importance to report.

BANKS.—Hongkong and Shanghai's after small sales at \$6.35 are on offer at \$6.32 with but finding buy and small buyers. The London rate has improved to \$26.10s. Nationals are in demand at \$28.10s without bringing any shares on the market, and probably buyers would pay \$28.10s for shares.

MARINE INSURANCES.—Unions have been placed in small lots at \$515, \$520 and \$525 closing at the last rate. China Traders have improved to \$61 without bringing any shares on the market, the stock closing in demand at that rate. Cantons have found small buyers at \$152. Yangtze's and North China un-changed and without business.

FIRES INSURANCES.—China Fires have been in req't and have changed hands at \$93, \$94 and \$95, closing steady at the latter rate. Hongkong unchanged and without business.

SHIPPIING.—Hongkong, Canton and Macao have been negotiated at \$324 and \$323, closing with but a small business at \$363 and \$360. Douglasses have been on offer during the week at \$373 and after small sales remain on offer at that rate. China and Manchurian and Star Ferries continue neglected at quotations with no sale to report. Shell Transport have been on offer all the week at £1 2s 6d, without inducing buyers to come forward.

REFINERIES.—Chinas Sugars after further small sales at \$100 have declined to \$98 on time. A few lots changed hands at \$101 for October. A few lots changed hands at \$103 and \$104 for December. Forward sellers at lower rates rule the market at time of closing. Lazons remain unchanged and without business.

MINING.—The market has been entirely neglected and we have no business to report.

DOCKS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS.—A few small sales of Hongkong and Whampoa Docks have been effected at \$207 and \$208 for cash, and at \$215 for January delivery, market closing steady at \$206. Kowloon Wharves have been placed at the improved rate of \$87 and more shares are wanted at that rate. Amoy Docks remain unchanged and without business. The latest quotation from Shanghai for Farnham is £136.

LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.—Hongkong Lands have been placed at \$163 and close with buyers at \$152. Hongkong Hotels have found further buyers at \$145, and close in demand at that rate. Humphrey's Estates after sales at \$104 and \$105 close steady at the latter rate. No further business to report under this heading.

COTTON MILLS.—No business to report that Hongkong Cottons could be placed at \$144.

MISCELLANEOUS.—Green Islands have improved to \$223, with probable buyers. Watsons have changed hands at \$144. China Providents at \$94 and Watkins at \$87. No other business under this heading has come to our notice.

MEMORIAL.—Douglas' Steamship Company Limited, ordinary yearly, meeting on the 26th inst. Union Insurance Society ordinary yearly meeting on the 8th October; transfer books closed from 28th inst.

OMPAKX.

POLICE COURT.

Friday, 25th September.

BEFORE MR. T. SERCOMBE SMITH (POLICE MAGISTRATE).

DABING THEFT AND SMART CAPTURE.

Hongkong coolies have for long shown a liking

for the property of their masters, and in the natural course of events such liking has grown into an attachment. Cheung Fat is a case in point, the attachment by him of articles of clothing and jewelry belonging to Mr. A. G. Goodwin leading to his appearance in Court yesterday morning. In the protest of fetching ice for his master, Mr. A. Wai, who lives at 11, Seymour Road, Cheung Fat left the house early Thursday morning, taking the necessary ice—also an unnecessary box containing the wardrobe of a female servant—valued at \$30—and two gold rings, two watches, and articles of clothing belonging to Mr. Goodwin. The intention of giving the clothes an airing was doubtless extremely thoughtful, but getting tired of his burden, a visit was paid to a pawnbroker, where one of the clothes was left to be taken care of. Cheung Fat next appeared on to a Canton wharf, still very much attached to the box. Conversationally inclined, Chinese P. C. 23 passed the time of day to Cheung, who in a moment of confidence let out more of his morning's movements than he intended, justifying the P. C. in taking a peep into the box. To his surprise, he found it to contain Chinese women's wearing apparel, and not being able to grasp Cheung's explanations, he seized his queue instead and escorted him to 11, Seymour Road, where the property was recognised. A visit was also paid to the pawnbroker, and the articles left on trust added to those exhibited to His Worship, who passed sentence of twelve months' hard labour in all—six for theft of Mr. Goodwin's jewelry and clothing, and the same for appropriating the wearing apparel of the female servant. Besides this Cheung was given a seat for three hours near the Clock Tower with his feet thoughtfully raised from the ground to keep them from the damp. Inspector Withers was in charge of the case before the Magistrate.

LAURENTY OF DIAMONDS.

Messrs. Blackhead & Co. have had a great deal of trouble lately with their employees in the coolies who live at Shamkun and numerous petty thefts have taken place. With a view to restricting the coolies, who live on the premises, to their quarters, a door was erected recently and a watchman put on guard. Not liking this treatment, the coolies went on strike, but afterwards returned to work, with four exceptions. These men appeared in Court yesterday, on the complaint of Messrs. Blackhead, represented by Mr. P. W. Goldring, charged with refusing to work. His Worship, after hearing evidence, ruled that there was nothing unlawful in declining to work when the men had no contract, being paid so much per day, though the wages were handed over monthly. A remand was granted to allow of Mr. Goldring altering the indictment.

ALLEGED STARVATION OF A CHILD.

Further evidence was heard in the case remanded from Monday in which the master of the Ng Fuk shop, 52, Cockburn Street, charged a silversmith in his employ with the larceny of diamonds valued at \$750, and broken gold worth \$17. Ng Fuk stated that on the 12th inst the defendant left his service without notice, and on the 14th, Cheung Chee also took French leave. The witness some time previously handed Chee fifteen diamonds to work with. On opening this workman's drawer ten diamonds were found in a box, eight of which witness had given to Cheung. The case was again remanded.

ALLEGED OPium PROSECUTION.

On Tuesday a coolie was charged on the complaint of the Opium Farmers with illegally removing two chests of opium without a permit. His Worship held that according to a previous judgment he could not convict the conveying coolie, as not the coolie but the owner of the opium was the party who should have been charged with the illegal removal of the opium. Defendant was accordingly discharged. A summons was then taken out against the owner, Yuen Hu Shing, and the case came before His Worship yesterday afternoon.

Defendant admitted that on the 16th inst he removed two chests of opium without a permit from the Superintendent of Exports and Imports counter-signed by the Opium Farmer. He was represented by Mr. Beavis of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, solicitors. Mr. F. B. Deacon, of Messrs. Deacon and Hastings, solicitors, conducted the prosecution.

Mr. Beavis admitted the removal of the opium without a permit.

Mr. Deacon having no remarks to make,

Mr. Beavis said that in extension of the offence

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A STORY OF LOVE AND MYSTERY.
BY
JOHN BLOUNDELL-BURTON
(Author of "The Hispaniola Plate," "The Year
One," "A Vanished Rival," &c.)

CHAPTER VIII.
THE SECRET BURIED.

Lambert did leave the club at once, since he recognised that of all places in the world, this would be the very worst in which to cause a scene. The other rooms were full of members and guests who had been dining there, and there was a good deal of movement in the corridors and on the staircase.

But, all the same, he had resolved on doing that which, as he considered, and undoubtedly, wrongly considered, would put him in a better light if anything could possibly do so. He had, already, with a fine assumption of indignation, repudiated the charge brought against him, though, all the same, he felt perfectly sure that it would ruin him. Nothing could keep the master a secret from the colonel or the regiment—there were, indeed, one or two officers of his own regiment members of the club while waiting to be elected to the Service clubs they aspired to—while it was practically certain that, after the committee had investigated the case, the very least that could happen to him would be that he would be asked to resign. While matters might even be worse than that! He might not have the option of resigning given him, but he was expelled.

Therefore, he told himself, a bold attitude was the only thing that could stand him in any stead, and that attitude he decided to assume.

Waiting outside the club, he saw one or two of the members come out with whom, half an hour earlier, he had been playing, some taking cabs and some walking away; he observed, too, that they all saw him and, as they did so, either turned their eyes another way or stared him straight in the face without recognition of any kind.

"Ha!" he muttered to himself, "that shows which way the wind blows and what they think of me. A set of cads who were only too glad to know an officer yesterday and to be on speaking terms with one. However, we will see about Mr. Morrison when he leaves the club."

Mr. Morrison was the younger member who had seized Lambert's hands at the moment the accusation was made against him.

The elder of his two accusers left the club shortly after those who had called forth the above expressions from Lambert, and, while he waited for the cab which the porter hailed, his eyes rested on the man whom, in common with Morrison, he had denounced. But they, too, like the eyes of the others, were vacant. There was no recognition of him in them. Then, a quarter of an hour later, Mr. Morrison came down the club steps and walked rapidly away.

"Stop a minute, if you please," Lambert said, hastening after him and catching him up directly he had passed the front of the club. "I have a word to say to you."

Mr. Morrison, who was a well-built young man, stopped and swung round at once on being suddenly addressed by Lambert, whom he, too, had seen as he left the club; but he said contemptuously: "But I have nothing to say to you—until we meet before the Committee."

"You are a low cad," Lambert said, "to bring such a charge against a gentleman as you did to-night."

"A gentleman!" Mr. Morrison re-schooled with further contempt, accompanied by a sneering laugh. "A gentleman! Well! you may be one and I may be a low cad. But I'm not a card-sharper or any rate."

In an instant Lambert had struck out with his fist—perhaps without having originally intended to do so—while using a horrible oath, and had hit the other in the face; but the blow was quickly returned, and, a moment later, a regular affray was taking place between them.

Then, another moment later, Lambert, who was decidedly getting the worst of the encounter, found himself dragged violently backwards and struggling in the arms of a burly policeman.

"Here! What's all this between two gentlemen?" said that worthy functionary who, contrary to the accepted custom of the police in all periods and all countries, had absolutely arrived on the scene at the right moment—as he held Lambert very fast. "I shall look you both up, you know."

"The fellow insulted me in the club," Lambert said, while recognising that he had brought about a state of things which it would have been much better for him not to have aroused.

"That fellow," said Mr. Morrison, whose own passions were now at boiling heat, "cheated me and some others at cards in the club. When I came out he struck me. I'm not going to be robbed and set upon, too. If you'll take us to the station I'll very soon charge him."

"My God—no!" Lambert said, through white lips. "Not that."

"He struck the first blow?" the policeman asked Mr. Morrison.

"He did."

"All right. Come on both of you. You can each tell your story to the magistrate to-morrow."

In this way the world knew through the medium of the papers the conduct of which Captain Lambert had been guilty, and from the very first moment when it read of the fracas outside the club (from which he was expelled a week afterwards), to the last, when it read in the Gazette that "Captain Mark Furness Lambert was dismissed the army. Her Majesty having no further need for his services," it never doubted his guilt.

Rhoda, who passed a sleepless night after she

had "kissed" the paper which her father had brought home, received a letter from her husband the next morning, a letter addressed in a sealed hand; one in which the only words written were: "Believe nothing you hear of me. I am perfectly innocent. Your husband, Mark."

And to poor Rhoda, miserable, heart-broken at what she had learned, yet determined that, come what might, she, at least, would never believe him aught but innocent, those words, "your husband," written for the first time, seemed to give courage. To her mind the thought presented itself that he had never written those words until the time came when he felt that, of all in the world, he had but one to whom he could turn for love and implicit belief.

Later, long afterward, when he was supposed to be dead, and when she had gradually come to think calmly over the shame which he had undoubtedly brought upon himself and those connected with him, she regarded the words in a different light. She began to think that, perhaps, they had been so written for the first time as a reminder to her that, no matter what his future might be, she had to take her share and part in that future.

And still later—though the narrative has not yet arrived at this point—when Ira Challis was presenting his husband's claims to some share of the wealth and luxury amidst which she was living, she wondered if, with marvellous ingenuity and foresight, they had been written as a different form of suggestion, as a hint that if the day should ever come when she might have much and in nothing, he had claims upon her which no evil doing—no stigma, no disgrace—could ever deprive her of.

But now—now!—when the man was at the lowest depths of degradation and despair, when his club had cast him forth as unworthy of it, when the Service he had disgraced was about to do the same thing, she was all his, all for him.

"Come what may, come what will," she said with streaming eyes on the day they first met again at a village half way between Aldershot and Leafield, "I am always your wife. Your fond loving wife. One who believes in your honour and innocence. You say you are going to leave England next week, that it is no longer a home, a country for you. Take me with you. Let your home, however wretched, be mine. Let me be your wife and companion, your helpmate: not your wife in name only. If you wish it, I will tell my father to-night that I am your wife; to-morrow. I will join you and never quit your side while we are both alive."

Whatever the man's faults were, and God knows they were bad enough, he was still neither so bad nor so selfish as to consent to this. He was not so cruel as to take her away from a home which, if it was not luxurious and sometimes scarcely comfortable, was at least a home, a shelter for her.

"No," he said. "No. It cannot be. I have some little money left; though, by that accursed accouement, I have lost everything an ordinary retirement from the army would have given me. With that I may succeed and prosper." When I do, I will ask you to come to me. To be my wife. But not before. I have brought enough misery on you, though I am, innocent of this charge. I will never bring any more."

"They must again once or twice, and then the last parting took place. A month or so later, Mark Furness, as he now called himself, had landed in Boston. A month later still that Séverine received a letter in which was enclosed one for Rhoda: a letter which said that Lambert, under the name of Furness, was about to proceed to Bahia, where he had heard that there were many opportunities for making money. He was to sail from New York, he wrote, in a steamer called "The Promised Land"; he saw opportunities of becoming rich, of making a home for her, of sending for her to join him.

But "The Promised Land" was lost, nothing was ever heard of her again; not so much as a spar, a host or a lifebelt was ever picked up by any other ship which might tell; or, least of all, what had become of her.

As she was not an English ship, the details which appeared in the few papers which Rhoda was ever able to obtain a sight of were very sparse and meagre. The names of those on board were never published in England, and it was only by applying to the agents in London who represented the great firm of American shipowners that she was, at last, and after some weeks of waiting, able to see the full list of the passengers who had sailed in the ill-fated vessel. She saw that list on the day when she presented herself, accompanied by Séverine, at the agents' office in London, as requested to do by them; she saw it, and, amongst the names of the passengers, arranged alphabetically, was that of her husband—the name of Mark Furness.

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She saw the name "Mark Furness" printed on the paper before her, and, beneath it, and bracketed with it, the words, "Furness, Mark, Mrs."

"My God!" she whispered later to Séverine, "my God! He could do that! That! That!"

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The Ross, with the German Mail of the 1st inst., left Singapore on Friday, the 26th inst., at 8 a.m., and may be expected here on or about Tuesday, the 29th inst., at 2 p.m.

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POB.	PER.	DATE
Manila	Saturday	26th, 8.00 A.M.
Manila	Saturday	26th, 9.00 A.M.
Canton	Saturday	26th, 9.30 A.M.
Taiwan	Saturday	26th, 10.00 A.M.
Moji and Tacoma	Saturday	26th, 10.00 A.M.

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The Palace English Comedy Co., Theatre Royal, City Hall, 9 p.m.

COMMERCIAL.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

25th September

ON LONDON.—

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Bank Bills, on demand, 1/16.

Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight, 1/16.

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On demand, 189.

ON NEW YORK.—

Bank Bills, on demand, 45.

Credits, 60 days' sight, 46.

ON BORNEO.—

Telegraphic Transfer, 138.

Bank, on demand, 134.

ON CALCUTTA.—

Telegraphic Transfer, 138.

Bank, on demand, 138.

ON SHANGHAI.—

Bank, at sight, 72.

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On demand, Nominal.

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The steamer *Arratoon Apear*, from Calcutta, left Singapore for this port on the 23rd inst., p.m.

The Indo-China steamer *Laisang*, from Calcutta for this port, via the Straits, on the 19th inst., and may be expected here on the 5th prox.

THE GERMAN MAIL.

The Imperial German mail steamer *Roon* left Singapore on the 25th inst., at 8 a.m., and may be expected here on the 29th inst., at 2 p.m.

THE CANADIAN MAIL.

The C.P.R. steamer *Empress of China* arrived at Nagasaki at 8 a.m. on the 24th inst., and left again at 4 p.m. same day for Shanghai, where she was due to arrive at 3 a.m. to-day.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The P.M. steamer *Korea* left Yokohama for this port, via Inland Sea, &c., on the 22nd inst., a.m.

ARRIVED.

Per *Ballaarat*, for London, from Shanghai, Mrs. Little, Messrs. A. P. Diggon and C. W. G. Little; for Bombay, Mrs. Cleveland; for Hongkong, Mrs. Bookin, Miss Bookin, Messrs. de Broc, C. H. Butler, C. W. Howett, E. Meier, Heekmann, Criesbeck and Easton.

TO DEPART.

Per *Ballaarat*, from Hongkong, for Singapore, Misses. Kasten and L. Kasten; for London, Gunners Kelly, Guy, and W. D. Little; Supt. R. Peony, and Mr. J. A. Fudge, from Shanghai, for Bombay, Mr. C. Cleveland, for London via Calcutta and Bombay, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. G. Little; for London, Mr. A. P. Diggon.

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JOINT STOCK SHARES.

FONGKONG, 24th September.

STOCKS.

NO. OF SHARES.

ISSUE VALUE.

PAID UP.

LAST DIVIDEND.

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BANKS.

Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, \$8,000.

National Bank of China, Ltd., \$26,010 A.

Do. Founders' Shares, \$14,443 B.

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North China Ins. Co., Ltd., \$5,000.

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SNIPE-SHOOTING.

It is presumed that the reader is at least fond of shooting generally. If he is not (says "Sclopox" in *Blackwood*), he had better turn these pages over at once, for I can only promise him that he will be sadly bored with their contents. If he is fond of shooting, and would be fondest of all of snipe-shooting, if he had ever been told enough about it to make him try his hand at it, he may not be disinclined to consider the few reasons I am about to tender, that seem to me best to indicate fascinations that, after all, are more readily felt than described. In the first place, then, the utter wildness of the snipe appeals to the true sportsman. What a mysterious little fellow he is! Who can tell whence he comes and whither he so constantly goes? How suddenly his silent coming in the night, his no less imperceptible dittings from the moor where yesterday a hundred of his relations screamed and zigzagged as we floundered through it! To-morrow he may be back from his journey to heaven knows where, and every tuft of rush and grass will again shelter his neat little figure from the east wind. He is nobody's property, but owns a fine strong pair of wings that whisk him over from the *tundras* of Siberia, when his larder is frozen there, in time for a late dinner amid the warmth and worms of the temperate zone. He is the most vagrant, most irresponsible of feathered creatures, and only the mighty master, the weather, has anything to say to his goings on and those of his big cousins and travelling companions—the wild geese and the widgeon.

Then how beautiful he is! From the top of his gamy little head to the sole of his delicate feet he is a perfect little gentleman to look at, thoroughly in every line of him. On the wing he only condescends to show you the flash of his white waistcoat, and perhaps a fleeting glance at his slim bill silhouetted against the sky. But take him in your hand if you are lucky or clever enough to hit him. His back and wings are an artistic triumph of warm brown and cool creams, that are in absolute harmony with the snowy white of his breast and the black bars that relieve his flanks. If you are a fisherman, you will be able to detect the slimy tickles that have helped you to many a fat grayling, and you will love him all the more. Even if you are nothing but an epicure, you cannot but admire the fair setting of the dainty little morsel which the everlasting moorlands have given you; and you must confess that he is worth more than a glance before you send him off to the cook. He will taste all the better on his savoury plump of brown toast because you have seen the russet symphony that once clothed his plump and tender form.

Another attraction he has is the extreme difficulty of shooting him. No man need ever sigh for other worlds to conquer with his gun. As long as he lives he will never be complete master of the situation when snipe are on the wing. He may kill his four out of five one day, but it is a red-letter day, and he had better make the most of it. The memory of it alone may remain to sustain him through many succeeding occasions when *Gallinago* will get up shouting cheerfully at him just ten yards too far, time after time; or if for fun he allows a nearer approach, will bounce up with a squeak that says as plainly as possible "Bo, to a goes," only to spark off up wind, six inches from the ground, at a pace that even *Schnütze* doesn't seem able to keep up with. He is an expert at dodging, darting, gynning, shaving banks, nipping around corners, describing aerial figures of eight, and of all the *haute école* of "fightsmanship" generally. He delights in letting you know how little you know. The wind is strong; he must, you reason, and the books tell you, break the gale before he can master it and you. So it is obviously the correct thing to walk for him down wind; for then he will throw up on rising, and offer a fair and pleasing shot. Does he oblige you? Not he! He does, it is true, give the slightest jump into the breeze and off like an erratic bullet at an initial velocity of thirty yards a second. If you can take advantage of that transitory leap, you are a good snipeshot, and books of instruction are not for you. It can be done, and in the doing of it with the incredible swiftness necessary, and in its infinite variations of position, elevation, surroundings, etc., lies the whole pleasure of the sport.

Nay! not the whole pleasure. Even if Mr. Snipe beats you every time, until you distract your trusty gun and curse the make of the cartridges you secretly know to be perfectly correct, until you call yourself names for having been such a fool as to bring your dog; or, being without one, blaspheme your folly in leaving him at home—even under those harrowing conditions there will still be a keen pleasure in the midst of your failure. There is the pleasure of the lonely moor, the monotonous grandeur of the sombre levels which are the snipe's chosen haunts. There is the mysterious ghostliness of the vast marshes, here and there shaking and quivering as if they didn't know for certain which to be, earth or water, and whose spell makes Bond Street seem a teeming ant-heap of another sphere, so far away and so undesirable does it appear. It seems an insult to bring your trim ejector and your smart Norfolk jacket into these solitudes, where the curlew brings up its young, and the water rail, shyest of lurking creatures, flaps up painfully at your feet.

Falling these, there is the pleasure in the failure itself. Despite your trim ejector, you cannot hit those snipe, and you won't until you get the London fog out of your eyes, and the slows from the arms underneath that Norfolk jacket. But one day, perhaps, you will, if you are not blind or incurably stiff, suddenly find that hand and eye have entered into partnership with your gun at last. You will have acquired that undeniably sixth sense—the

"knack." Crack! you have snapped him to the earth almost before he had time to scream. Bang! A long left barrel has crumpled his brother like a rag in the air, to fall with a splash into a pool. You have scored your first right and left at snipe. You may do it again a hundred times; but the memory of that first success, like your first time you sat firm over an ox-fence, will remain with you for ever, with its joy and the after impossibility of remembering exactly how you did it. No matter, you *ha done* it; and unless you are of more than common clay, I wager that thereafter you will be a snipe-shooter at heart, even if circumstances prevent your travelling annually to the moors and marshland. When the pheasants are soaring overhead, or the partridges on ridges are buzzing away like big brown bees, your thoughts will be with that little game bird who teased and tormented you until the art of stopping him came to you as suddenly as one of his own sudden flashes.

At the close of many an enjoyable walk after snipe I have been thankful that these overcrowded islands still contain a few square miles of sodden, useless land; useless, that is, to anything or any one but the jolly little bird 'a' the mortal to whom it affords his favourite sport. Alas! The uncoloured tracts are getting fewer and fewer every year. ominous wooden pegs, the outpost of railways to follow, are being driven in where once lay four mottled eggs, the pride of their long-billed mother, who has flown for ever to seek quiet nurseries elsewhere, far from the hideous proximity of engineering mankind. Cultivation, the birth of prosperity but the death of wild sport, is encroaching yard by yard on the moorlands that our fathers probably thought eternal. It would be useless and wrong to complain. There are more important claims than snipe-shooting on the empty acres. But it is impossible not to mourn the gradual disappearance of our beloved solitudes before the resistless advance of science and agriculture.

However, the time is not yet, thank goodness, when every flock of snipe from the North, prospecting for comfort in winter quarters, will be forced to stream away from these shores, their long noses turned up in disgust at the universal alteration of machinery and cabbage-garden, where once the only sign of man was the infra-red and welcome spade of the post-cutter. Great Britain is not yet all reclaimed, nor is it likely to be during our life-time, so away with dismal thoughts into the Ewigkeit, in which a snipe will be as curious an object to our cyclop-speaking posterity as the iotah-scarabs is to us, and a book on how to shoot it prised as a quaint treatise on a forgotten sport. *Carpe diem*; let us go out shooting to-day anyhow, and if we see a railway embankment defiling the spot which last year was a certain lie for a jock, we will take shares in the company, and be off with the dividends to shoot snipe in other climes.

GUNNERY EXPERIMENTS.

The daring experiment of firing shell at a man of war with all her crew on board, even though disposed in places of safety, to ascertain the resisting power and consequently the value of turrets in naval warfare, took place at Brest on the 18th ult. and attracted great interest. The ships engaged in the experiment were the *Suffren*, considered to be the finest type of battleship in the French navy, and the *Messina*, the former being the target at which the guns of the latter were directed. The *Suffren* was moored close to the Ile Longue in the roadstead of Brest; and the *Messina* took up her position 150 metres further off. Three torpedo-boats prevented the approach of vessels while the firing was in progress, this precaution being taken with the twofold purpose of avoiding accidents and preventing the disclosure of the exact character and effects of the fire. The target, composed of a sheet of steel 25 centimetres thick, and covered with canvas, was erected on the external walls of the fore turret of the *Suffren*, and it was towards this mark that the projectiles of the *Messina*'s guns were directed. A first trial shot was fired from the *Messina* half-past nine in the morning, the Minister, who was on board, having given the order. The shell, which was fired by a 305 millimetre gun, hit the target and then buried itself in the rocky promontory of the island, raising a cloud of dust. Half an hour later the actual experiment began. The shell burst against the walls of the turret. The splinters falling into the harbour raised columns of water which inundated the stern gallery where the Minister, the Commander-in-Chief of the northern squadron, the admiral of the port, and other officers were watching the experiment. The second shell was discharged at 10.55, and the third at a quarter-past eleven. M. Pelletan then proceeded to the fore turret of the ship to examine the effects caused by the fire. The fourth and final shot was delivered at 4 o'clock in the afternoon. The shell was broken into a thousand fragments against the target, and it is said that a large splinter ricochetted and destroyed the gangway of the *Messina*. After the experiment the turret with the target affixed was covered with sail-cloth in order that the effects of the fire should not be seen by persons provided with marine glasses. The authorities declined to give any information of a technical nature, but it is believed that the target was satisfactorily withstood the ordeal, and that its guns and machinery were in perfect order after the fourth shot. According to a statement attributed to M. Tissier, Chef de Cabinet at the Ministry of Marine, no accident occurred on board either the *Suffren* or the *Messina* which, as has already been indicated, was sufficiently near to feel the effects of a ricochet.

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DOCK No. 13 (at MUKAIJIMA). Extreme Length.....371 feet Length on Blocks.....350 Width on Blocks.....53 Width of Entrance on Top.....66 Width of Entrance on Bottom.....53 Water on Blocks at Spring Tide.....22

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